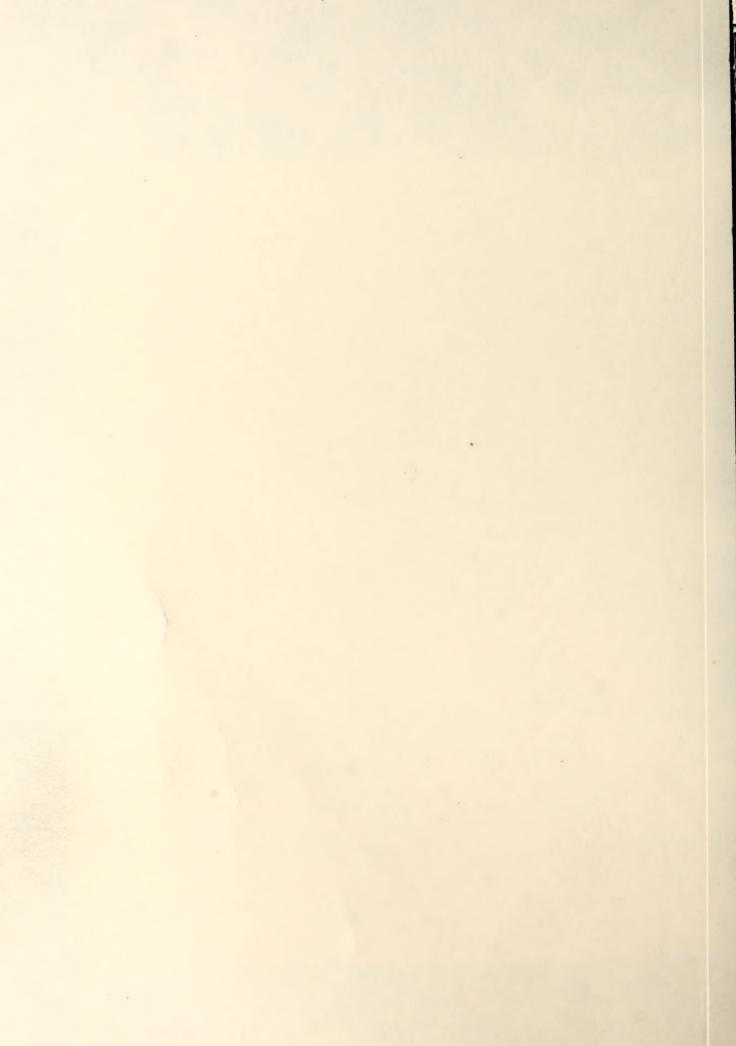
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WRITER THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1943

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REMARKS

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Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers! ANNOUNCER: 2 MUSIC: THEME 3 ANNOUNCER: So great is the need for wood these days that nearly every nook and cranny of our country's forest lands is being 5 called on to play its share in the drive toward Victory. That's as it should be, of course. It's our hope, however, 6 that good practices will come to dominate every logging 8 operation, so that immature, young, growing timber will 9 not be unnecessarily sacrificed. We should see that 10 waste isout, these war days. Now to the Pine Cone national Forest. They've just had a 11 heavy windstorm up there, and Ranger Jim Robbins and his 12 assistant Jerry Quick have been out in the forest checking 13 up to see if the storm did any damage. At the Ranger 14 Station we find Jim's wife, Bess, and Jerry's sweetheart 15 Mary Halloway, anxiously awaiting their return. Here they 16 are. 17 18 SOUND OF LOG THROWN ON FIRE... 19 MARY: There! Is that enough wood on the fire now. Mrs. Robbins? 20 BESS: Yes, Mary, that's fine, Jim and Jerry will appreciate a nice warm fire when they get back after working out in 21 that cold wind all afternoon. 22 23 MARY:

It's a shame they had to go out on a day like this.

Couldn't they have waited 'til the storm was over?

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2		for that matter, Mary. These forest rangers always have
3		to be out in the forest whenever there's any danger
4		threatening the trees.
5	MARY:	Yes, I know.
6	BESS:	The two of them were all for going out over the district
.7		yesterday, but the wind was blowing so hard they couldn't
8		stand up straight.
9	MARY:	It has been a bad wind storm, hasn't it, Mrs. Robbins.
» 10	BESS:	Jim says it's one of the worst we've had on the Pine Cone
11		in years. He's been quite worried about it; too.
12	MARY:	Yes, I suppose a wind like that can do a great deal of
13		damage to the telephone lines and guard cabins and all.
14	BESS:	Yes, it could, Mary. But what Jim is worried about most
15		is the forest itsel.
16	MARY:	I'm not sure I understand, Mrs. Robbins.
17	BESS:	Well you see, Jim was fearful that the storm may have
18		damaged or blown over a lot of trees. You can repair
19		telephone lines fairly quickly, but it's not so simple to
20		stand trees back up once they re blown down.
81	MARY:	Of course. I hadn't thought. The damage might be
22		quite serious then?
23	BESS:	Yes, Mary. Especially now, when we're at war and
24		we can't afford to lose a single (DOOR OPENS) Oh, there
25		they are now, just getting back.
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	2	BESS:	Jerry, where's Jim?
	3	JERRY:	Oh, he'll be along in a minute. He's just putting theplokup
9	4		away. (CLAPS HANDS TOGETHER) Boy, this fire sure feels
ę.	5		good.
	6	BESS:	Jerry, what did you find, you and Jim? Was there is
*	7		there very much damage out there in the forest?
-	8	JERRY:	(SERIOUS) Only in one area, Mrs. Robbins. But we sure
	9		took a dickens of a beating in that one spot, all right.
	10	BESS:	Oh dear!
	11	MARY:	What do you mean, Jerry?
	12	JERRY:	The worst blowdown is on the north side of Windy Ridge.
	13	r.	You see, it musta caught the full force of the storm. A
4	14		whole lot of young pine timber is lying on the ground up
	15		there, twisted and tumbled around, almost as though
	16		as though some glant had mowed it down with scythe.
	17	BESS:	Oh dear! Jim must feel terrible.
	18	JERRY:	Jim feels rotten about it and that's the truthch, oh,
	19		here he comes.
	20	DOOR OPENS AND	
	21	MARY:	Mr. Robbins, Jerry was just telling us
	22	BESS:	Here Jim, let me help you with your coat. Why don't you sit
	23		down here by the fire and get warm.
	24	JIM:	Thanks, Bess How are you, Mary?
	25	MARY:	Fine, thank you. Jerry was just telling us about what
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1	BESS:	Yes, Jim. Is at as bad as Jerry says?
2	JIM:	I don't know what Jerry told you, Bess, but it's
3		doggonned bad all right. When I think of all that fine
4		young stuff knocked down by the wind before it's
5		time, and when I think it's goin' to have to keep layin
8		there' til it rotswell, it makes me sick. It couldn't
7		have happened at a worse time.
8	BESS:	But, Jim, won't you be able to salvage a good deal of the
9		blowdown timber? You did last time we had a storm like
10		that.
11	JERRY:	It's all pretty young stuff, Mrs. Robbins. Too small
12		to be much good in its present shape for anything
13		except firewood.
14	MARY:	Oh, but Jerry! Firewood's important. You've told me
15		that yourself. Remember? About how important it is all
16		over the country, to get out extra firewood for next
17		winter,
18	JIM:	Yeah, that's right, Mary. Firewood is important, and that
79		small timber that's blown down up there alongside Windy Ridge
80		muld be mighty valuable as firewood. But here's the rub,
51		There's no one available to get it out, even for firewood,
83		see?
23	mARY:	Why couldn't one of the timber operators on the forest go
24		up to Windy Ridge and cut those trees, Mr. Robbins? One of
25		the loggin operators working on the Pine Cone.

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•	1	JIM:	It's the usual question of priority, Mary, We can't very
	2		well ask a man like Al Perkins for instance, who s working
	3		night and day getting out lumber for rush war orders
	4		we can't ask him to quit that and go to cutting up a lot
	6		of small blowdown timber, now can we?
	6	MARY:	No, I suppose not.
	7	JERRY:	It's plenty tough all right, Mary. Jim and I figured
	8		every angle and we always came back to the same place.
	9		There just isn't the labor available. All the able bodied
	10		men around here are already working on essential war jobs,
	21		more essential, that is, than getting out that
	12		firewood, ever.
	13	BESS:	Then you think it's hopeless, Jim?
	14	JIM:	'Fraid so, Bess. It sure makes a man feel bad, though,
	15		knowing he's lost all that fine young timber
	16		all of it, without chance to put any of it to good use.
•	17		And there it lays, several acres of it.
	18	JERRY:	Yeah. And not a chance to save a bit of it, like Jim says,
	19		unless we can get somebody cutting up there 'fore the bugs
-	50		and rot stert in. I'll say it's hopeless.
	21	BESS:	MaybeJim Maybe gome way can be found to convert those
	22		trees into firewood,
1	23	JIM:	It's no use, Bess. We'll just have to figure that timber as
	24		a total loss, I guess. If the times were differentbut
	85		well, there's no use talkin' about it. Let's eat supper,
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1	JERRY:	Yeah. We ought to get to bed early tonight, Jim. We've
2		got that survey to make up there on Windy Ridge tomorrow,
3		don't forget.
4	BESS:	What survey is that, Jim?
8	JIM:	We got to check up on how much of that timber blew down, Ben
6		I'll have to reprot it to the Supervisor, see? And I guess
יקי		that's about all Jerry and I will be able to do up there
8		right now. Next summer we're goin' to have an awful bad
9		fire hazard on our handsup there.
10	MARY:	Heavens, that's right, isn't it? All those trees on the
11		groundit would be terrible if a fire broke out.
12	JERRY:	And how! We stand to lose in more ways than one from not
13		bein' able to clean up and make use of thatmaterial.
1.4		Boy, if a fire gets up there next summer. Whew!
15	BESS:	(BRIGHTLY) I'm not at all sure some way won't be found
16		to use those trees, and eliminate the danger of fire,
17		too.
18	JIM:	Huh? What d'ya mean, Bess?
19	BESS:	Ohnothing spedial. I was just thinking
20	MARY:	I bet I know what, Mrs. Robbins.
21	JERRY:	Humpf. These women. C'mon, let's eat, what d'ya say?
22		Jim and I have a hard day ahead of us tomorrow and men what
98		work gotta eat, don't forget.
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	1	MARY:	Humpf. These men. (FADE) These big, strong, hardworking
	2		men
	3	PAUSE	
	4	JERRY:	(FADING IN) Golly, this sure is a mess all right, Jim.
	5		Just a jungle of uprooted trees.
	6	JIM:	Yeah, we lost more than I thought we did when we were up
	7		here yesterday, Jerry. It's kinda hard to take, isn't it?
	8	JERRY:	Yeah,
	9	JIM:	I had some swell plans for this young stand of pines, Jerry.
•	10		I figured to dosome thinning here some year soon, for
	11		pulpwood, see? leaving the best trees to grow up
	12		for high-grade lumber.
	13	JERRY:	I know, Jim. It sure hurts, seeing aco this waste.
	14	JIM:	I never thought I'd have to watch it all rot on the ground -
	16		not this timber. I'd feel a million times better if we
	16		could even get it salvaged for firewood.
	17	JERRY:	Yeah, that's right, Jim. In a way, firewood out of here
	18		today would probably almost stack up in value with what you
	19		planned in the future, considering it's so badly needed right
1	20		now. But I guess standing here gabbing ain't gonna help
	21		any. What d'ye say we hurry up and finish up here?
	22	JIM:	Yeah, sure. We're about through checking the volume loss.
	23		And(FADE IN SOUND OF TRACTOR OFF - BRING ON GRADUALLY)
	24		Hey' What's that?
	25	JERRY:	Sounds like a tractor coming up the ridge road, Jim.
	LU.		Who'd be workin' a tractor up this way? Huh?
		JIM:	Blamed if I know. Whoever it is, he'll be comin' around

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   JIM:
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   JERRY:
                 I can't figure any reason for a tractor up in this country
5
                 right now, Jim. I'd as soon expect to see you and me
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                 havin' our hair culred in a ladies' beauty parlor.
7
   JIM:
                 There they come now, Jerry. There's a truck comin' along
8
                 behind, too.
   JERRY:
                 You're right! (BRING TRACTOR AND TRUCK ON) Now! Do you
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                 see what I see, Jim?
11 JIM:
                 Yeah, but I don't believe it! Isn't that al Perkins' wife,
12
                 Katy, handling that tracotr? And, aw no, that can't be
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                 Bess sittin' alongisde Katy!
14 JERRY:
                 it can't huh! Well it is .. And d' ya know who s drivin that
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                 logging truck just behind? It's Mary. See? That's who it
16
                 is all right, Jim, Mary! Look at all the women packed im
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                 the back of the truck too.
18 JIM:
                 (CHUCKLING) They've sure got a load of 'em aboard,
19
                 haven't they? Tall ones and short ones, thin ones and fet
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                 ones..
21 JERRY:
                 Yeah, and blondes and brunettes and ... doggone, Jim, what
22
                 does 1t all mean?
23 JIM:
                 Well, from the looks of the rolling stock and all the axes
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                 and saws and can't hooks and peavies they've got a board,
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                 I'd say we've got a brand new kind of woods crew here on
                 The Pine Cone. H-m-m, they're stopping right here (MOTORE
                 OUT) ... Here comes Bess.
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	1	JERRY:	Yeah, Mary, too. And all the rest of 'em. Reckon we
-	2		better start running, Jim?
	3	JIM:	(CHUCKLES) No. Hold your ground, Son!
1	4	BESS:	(COMING ON) Jim! We're here. Every single woman around
r	8		Winding Greek that could come. All ready to go to work!
	8	MARY:	Yes, Mr. Robbins. Where do we start?
	7	JIM:	Bess, what in the world is all this about anyway?
9	6	BESS:	Why, you said all this blowdown timber could make good
	9		friewood and it mustn't be allowed to stay here and rot.
*	10		So as soon as Mary and I put it up to some of the other women
- Tank	11		they agreed this would be a good war job for all of us.
	12	JIM:	Yeah, but
	13	BESS:	Katy Perkins prevailed on her husband to lend us the
	14		equipment and tractor
	15	JIM:	(LAUGHS) So Thats what they call it now, huh? She
	16		didn't make himlend you this stuff, she prevailed on him.
Ď	27	ALL LAUGH	
	10	MARY:	Mr. Robbins, we all felt that since this was small timber
	19		anyway therewas no reasonwhy we couldn't work it up into
2	20		firewood, we women. It'll help the forest by reducing the
	21		fire hazard and it'll help you guarantee a supply of fuelwood
	22		for Winding Creek next winter, and
1	23	BESS:	Maybe some of us'll be a little more awkward than you
	24		men folks with an axe and all, Jim, but I'm sure we can do
	28		the job We're ready to go to work if you and Jerry will
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2	JIM:	(HEARTILY) Bess, I'm proud of you and Mary and every
3		blessed woman here. Yes sir! I wouldn't have believed it
4		possible but I think you gals can do the trick all right.
5		I know you can.
6	BESS:	I'm glad, Jim. We do want to help. We're family women,
7		most of us and we can't all be WAACS or WAVES or anything
8		like that. We can cut some firewood though,
9		we feel, and
10	JIM:	By George, you oughta have a fancy name too. Why not call
11		yourselves thethe Frogs., F-R-O-G-S
12	JERRY:	Frogs? (LAUGHING) I get it! Look at Mary jumping around
1.3		in those oversized boots and
14	MARY:	Jerry! Just because I borrowed your old overalls and all
15		That wasn't what Mr. Robbins had in mind. Was it, Mr.
16		Robbins?
17	JIM:	No indeed, Marywhat I had in mind was thatthat all of
18		you women are FORESTRY RESERVES ORGANISED TO GIVE SERVICE
19	BESS:	F-R-O-G-SForestry Reserves Organized to give Service
20	JIM:	And I mean IMPORTANT SERVICE, too
21	(CHEERS AND A	PPLAUSE)
22	MUSIC FINALE	
23	ANNOUNCER:	Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers comes to you each week during
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